

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION Arlington, VA 22230

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT (CA-1) (11/99) GENERAL CONDITIONS

Unless other specified in any special conditions or below, the attached "Grant General Conditions" (GC-1) (10/98) are applicable to this cooperative agreement. Where the terms grant and grantee are used, the terms cooperative agreement and awardee should be read, respectively. Where the term NSF Grants Officer appears, the term NSF Grants and Agreements Officer should be used.

The following additional general terms and conditions apply to NSF cooperative agreements:

41. Suspension or Termination for Convenience

NSF reserves the right to suspend or to terminate the performance of work under this cooperative agreement, in whole or in part, whenever, for any reason, the NSF Grants and Agreements Officer shall determine that such suspension or termination is in the best interest of the Government. Such suspension or termination shall be subject to the conditions specified in paragraphs d. and e. of Article 25 of the attached General Conditions.

42. Changes--Limitation of Funds

Either party to this cooperative agreement may request changes or additions to the cooperative agreement. Any such changes must be agreed to by both parties set forth in writing, and approved by the NSF Grants and Agreements Officer. No changes shall be considered as an authorization to the awardee to exceed the amount of funds awarded under this cooperative agreement. This cooperative agreement, however, may be formally amended to modify the amount of funds awarded.

43. Resolution of Disagreements and Disputes

Disagreements and disputes of fact arising under this cooperative agreement which are not resolved through informal discussions will be subject to the written decision of the NSF Grants and Agreements Officer. This decision will be final unless, within 30 days of receipt of the decision, the awardee makes a written request for review to Director, Division of Grants and Agreements, NSF.

The request for review must contain a full statement of the awardee's position and the pertinent facts and reasons in support of the position. Review will follow the procedures stipulated under Grant Policy Manual, Section 923.

44. Resolution of Conflicting Conditions

Should there be any inconsistency between the Special Conditions contained in this award and the General Conditions (Grant General Conditions and Cooperative Agreement General Conditions), the Special Conditions shall control.

Should there be and inconsistency between the General Conditions, the Special Conditions contained in this award, and any NSF guides, brochures or other materials cited or included by reference in the award, the matter should be referred to the NSF Grants and Agreements Officer for guidance.

45. GC-1 Deletions

The following articles in GC-1, "Grant General Conditions", are not applicable to this cooperative agreement and are hereby deleted:

- 4. No-Cost Extensions
- 5. Expenditures for Related Projects
- 35. Resolution of Conflicting Conditions